

Predators Among Us

Coral Reef Ecosystems

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| <p>Great white swimming</p> <p>Footage of coral reef, fish, ray</p> <p>Footage of clean-up crew after oil spill</p> <p>Footage of tuna</p> <p>Footage of sharks</p> <p>Footage of restaurant in Asia and shark fin being cooked.</p> <p>Footage of shark being captured and pulled on to ship and finned.</p> <p>Footage of great white shark</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Introduction</p> <p>Our oceans are changing today, at an alarming rate. Critical breeding areas and nursery grounds are being destroyed due to deforestation, pollution from our city streets and farms, oil spills and over fishing.</p> <p>Sharks and other large predatory fish like tuna, are not only susceptible to these impacts, also but to over-fishing. Sharks in particular have been hunted for their highly prized fins, which are considered a delicacy in some parts of East Asia. Shark finning has been banned by the United States since 2000, but many countries still condone the practice, where the demand for shark-fin products has skyrocketed.</p> <p>The pressure we put on these large predators and</p> |

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| <p>Footage of schooling fish</p> <p>Footage of hammerhead shark.</p> <p>Hammerhead shark and diver.</p> <p>Footage of Whale shark</p> | <p>their habitats, are clearly having a negative impact on the oceans today. It's not too hard to imagine a world without these predators.</p> <p>Have we gone too far? Only time will tell. It is clear however, that sharks and other large predatory fish have much more to fear from humans, than we do from them.</p> |
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